

# Title VI- Native American Education Program Public Schools of Petoskey

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# Boozhoo! Welcome!

## Introductions

<https://youtu.be/zL-KXgf0yJE>



# Key Statistics of Public Schools of Petoskey

<b>School Site</b>	<b>Number of Native American/Indigenous Students</b>
<b>Petoskey High School</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Petoskey Middle School</b>	<b>51</b>
<b>Central Elementary School</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Lincoln Elementary School</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Ottawa Elementary School</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>Sheridan Elementary School</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>Montessori School</b>	<b>1</b>
	<b>194</b>

# Brief Recap Program Activities 2021-2022

- NAHF Training
- Networking and learning grant process
- Cultural Identity & Interest Survey
- Change of program name
- Vote on Logo

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- Talking Circles
- Elementary Book Clubs
- Blanket Ceremony
- Language Classes (19 students enrolled)
- Culturally sensitive comfort kits

# Approved Program Logo!!

The turtle represents Turtle Island, which is part of the Anishinaabe creation story.

The four colors (white, yellow, black and red) represent several aspects of the culture including the 4 directions, the 4 winds, the 4 “ages” of life, as well as the 4 medicines (sweetgrass, tobacco, sage and cedar).

The Trillium, a wildflower found in this area, represents mother earth and the growth of our children as they grow and promote through our schools.



**Native American  
Education Program**

Launched to represent the revitalization and re-branding of the program and subsequently encourage increased participation in an updated and more comprehensive programming.

Eradicate any stigma of Title VI participation in the program and demonstrate it is not simply about supporting the struggling but also mentorship, leadership, cultural identity and pride.

Selected by students in the program

# 2022 Graduates

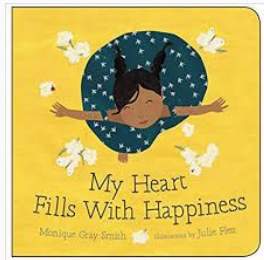
- 14 students
- 1 Direct to Career
- Remaining are attending college at: CMU, GVSU, NCMC, U of M, and WMU!



# Native/Indigenous Books



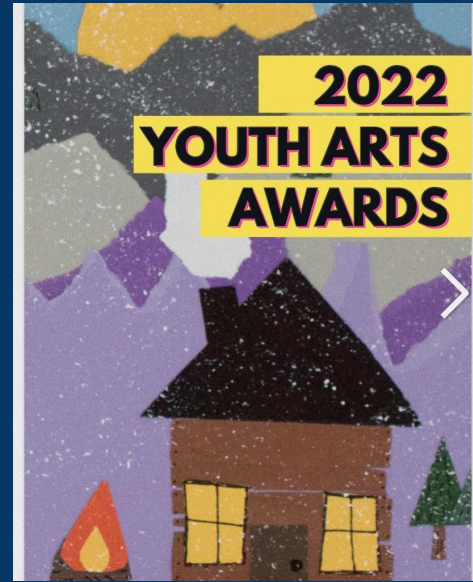
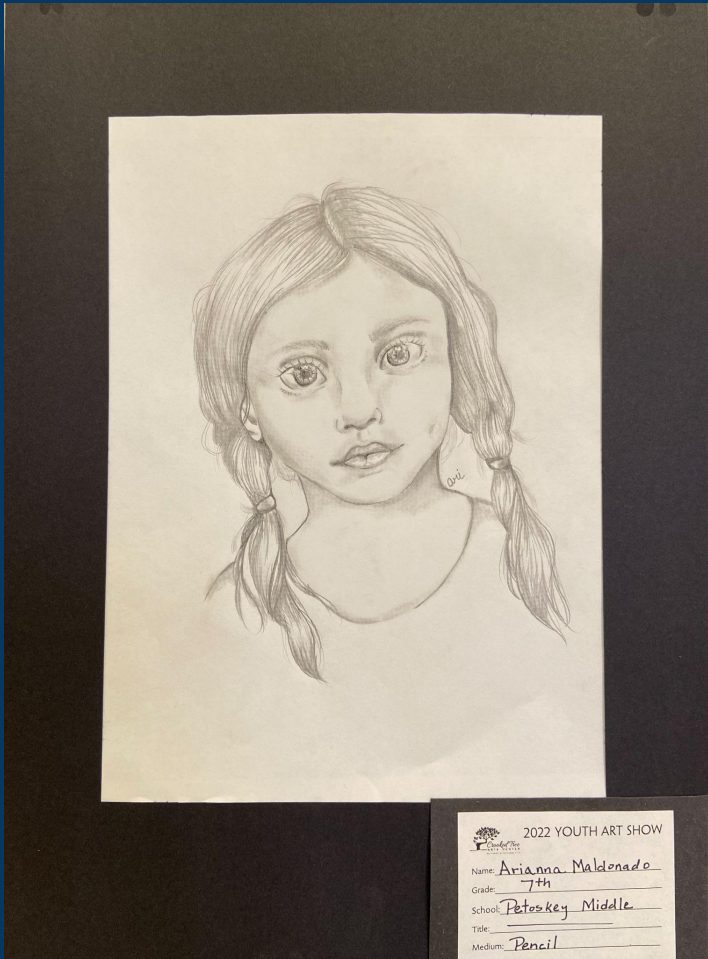
- Over 127 book titles district wide
- *Firekeeper's Daughter* is now part of the curriculum in senior English classes
- Introduced book clubs at the elementary level where students get to practice writing, language, learn about culture and discuss relevant SEL topics







Elementary Book Clubs



Arianna Maldonado  
7th Grade  
Petoskey Middle School

Kendall College Award

# Visit with and Presentation to Julian Guerrero Director of the Office of Indian Education US Department of Education





# Mackinac Island Biking Tour from an Indigenous Perspective



# Little Library Art Project



The poster features a white background with decorative orange and red circular patterns. At the top center is the logo for MZINGANGAMIK CULTURAL LIBRARY, which consists of a stylized sunburst above an open book. Below the logo, the text 'CALL FOR ARTISTS' is written in large, bold, red letters. Underneath, there is a bulleted list of three points. At the bottom, there is a red banner with the email address 'culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov' and a logo for the INSTITUTE of Museum and Library SERVICES, with the text 'Funding provided by:' to its left.

**MZINGANGAMIK**  
CULTURAL LIBRARY

## CALL FOR ARTISTS

- Paint a Little Free Library that will be used in the LTBB community
- Open to LTBB community members
- Chosen artist receives honorarium for your time \*supplies are included\*

Interested? Send examples of your work to the following email by Friday, April 29th:  
[culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov](mailto:culturalprogramming@ltbbodawa-nsn.gov)

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# Plans for 2022-2023 School Year

- Pilot Mentorship program between PHS and Ottawa Elementary

Studies show improved self-esteem, willingness to ask for help and increased awareness of how negative behaviors impacted those around them.

Mentor/mentee activities will include board games, outdoor activities, sport, arts & crafts, reading, homework and cultural crafts. All of these activities will create a bond of trust and confidence between mentors and mentees, some long lasting



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- Culturally sensitive comfort kits for school counseling offices
- Whole child perspective
- Provide advocacy and monitoring of academic, attendance, and social/emotional support
- Parent/Caregiver resource page on website under construction





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- Increase attendance at Talking Circles
- Improve parent/caregiver engagement
- Offer more cultural activities and opportunities in collaboration with LTBB and other Indigenous entities
- Mural in PHS Room
- Wall of Fame





# Plans for 2022-2023 School Year

- Native American Heritage Month Activities

Lunch & Learn

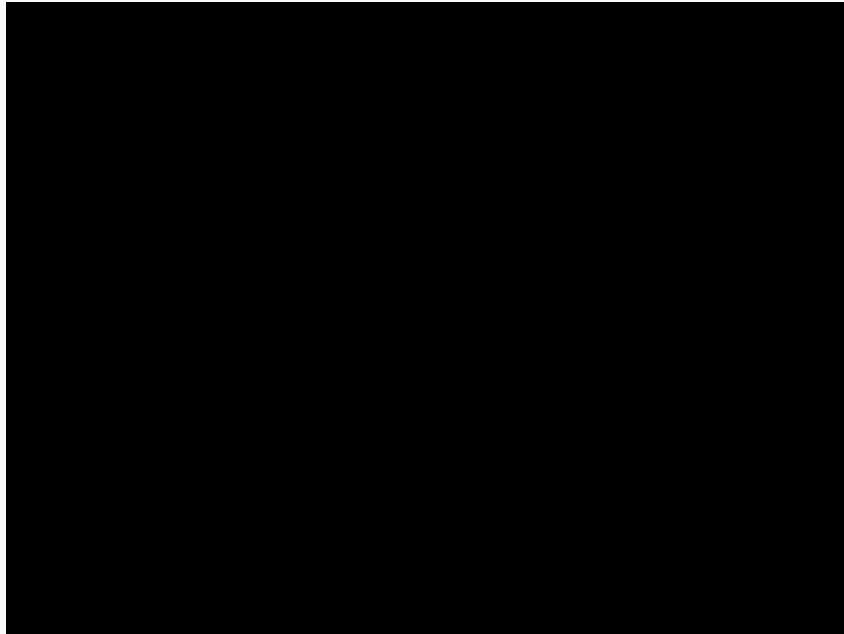
November 18th

Indigenous Menu at PHS Bear River Bistro

Reading to Elementary classes



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